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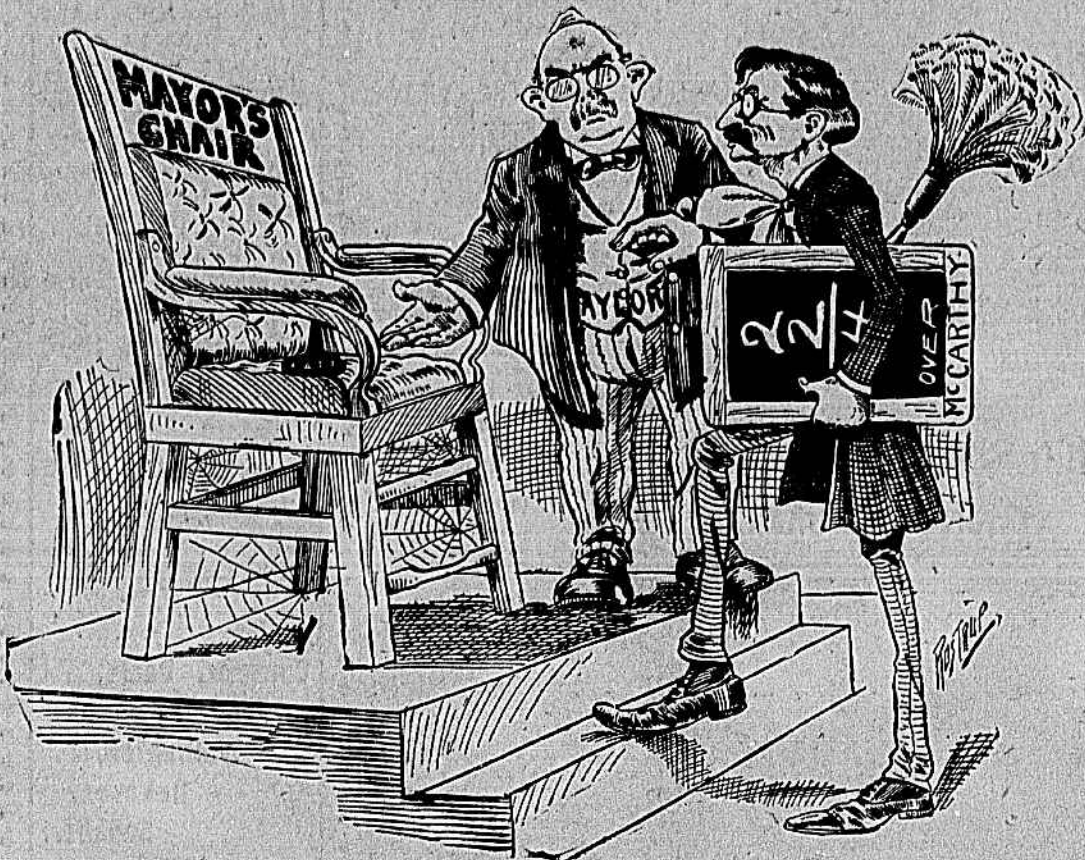
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THE BEGINNING AND THE END.

## SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

**The Weather.**  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday: Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday; light east to southeast winds. North Carolina—Fair Thursday and Friday; light southeast to south winds.

**RANGE OF THE THERMOMETER.**  
22 A. M. .... 75  
10 A. M. .... 78  
5 P. M. .... 77  
1 P. M. .... 77  
12 midnight .... 74  
Average .... 74.2-3

**MINIATURE ALMANAC.**  
September 1, 1904.  
Sun rises .... 5:40  
Sun sets .... 6:40  
Moon rises .... 10:21  
Evening .... 8:36

## Richmond.

Mayor Taylor returns ordinance providing a telegraph for the incoming Mayor without comment, the effect being to kill the measure. Captain McCarthy became Mayor of Richmond at midnight but will not assume the office actively until noon to-day. New Council meets this evening to organize; possible that standing committees will not be announced this evening. Oyster season, which formerly began to-day, does not now open until September 15th. A bill from Charles City county announces criminal illness of Judge Isaac H. Christian. Daughter of former Governor Elias Carr, of North Carolina, came to Richmond to enter training school with view of becoming nurse. Dr. E. L. Woodward returns from China and talks interestingly of his work and the condition in the celestial kingdom. Governor sells his residence in Danville. Capitol Commission decides to expend considerably more money than first planned on material to be used in the Capitol. MANCHESTER.—Last meeting of the old committee. Momentary anniversary—Dog taxes.—Briefs.

**Virginia.**  
Prisoners in Chesterfield jail shave themselves with a corset stay. Henry Clay Inn at Ashland to be closed for extensive improvements. Ex-Governor Tyler elected president of the Sixth District Farmers' Institute. Norfolk municipal affairs in a tangle and there may be two police justices and two police courts. Lynchburg sells \$800,000 four per cent. bonds, \$500,000 of which is to be used for its new water system. Mayor Buxton, the new Executive of Newport News, succeeds Mayor A. Moore without formality. Just closed his desk and left the key in it. Confederate veterans to attend annual celebration and picnic at Chesterfield Courthouse next Friday. Captain Josephus Trader nominated for Congress by the First District Republicans. Winchester lady celebrates her nineteenth birthday. Coming marriage.

**North Carolina.**  
Important damage suit brought to an abrupt end at Veldon by the sickness of a juror's wife. Nine Democratic editors to attend the editorial convention in New York. Governor Aycock has nothing to say concerning the proposed merger of the Atlantic and North Carolina. An aged negro arrested in Raleigh for a remarkable series of robberies. Reunion of the Confederate veterans at Asheville. Orphan boy's heavy loss.

**General.**  
Greatest battle the world has ever known now being fought at Liao Yang. Second day of fighting began at dawn and continued until nightfall without intermission. Japanese said to have captured important Russian papers; situation at Port Arthur. Nine killed and twenty-three injured in head-on collision on the Grand Trunk Railway near Richmond, Quebec. Belgians in Congo Free State fear invasion by Germans and are preparing to resist. Negro lynched in prison cell in Welmar, Ill. Eight hundred kegs of powder exploded in Punksutawney, Pa., killing one, injuring three and destroying property. Great uproar in Irish convention in New York city. David B. Hill delivers speech declaring that Republican campaign is one of humbug and false pretenses.

**102 WANT HELP TO-DAY.**

The 102 advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispatch on page 8 are as follows:

2 Teachers. 80 Trades.  
8 Salesmen. 2 Domestic.  
13 Miscellaneous. 2 Agents.

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

## PUTS STOP TO INQUIRY

President Said to Have Checked Mormon Investigation Until After Election.

Utah Would Be Lost to Republicans if Probing Continued at This Time.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 31.—The investigation into the right of Reed Smoot, an apostle of the Mormon Church, to hold the seat in the United States Senate, to which he was elected by the Legislature of Utah, appears to the people of the United States, who were so deeply interested in the outcome, to have fallen through. The committee of the Senate, which was investigating the subject adjourned last April to sit again in Salt Lake City early in July. It has never reconvened and the public is wondering why.

The why was learned to-day. Senator Smoot is the Republican boss of Utah. He has a big fight on his hands to carry the State for Roosevelt and Fairbanks. One of the district electors put up by the Republican State Convention had to be taken down, owing to the outcry against him, as he had been twice arrested charged with violation of the law against polygamy. Senator Thos. Kerns, who is to be re-elected by the Legislature chosen this fall, if he is to succeed himself, is threatening to revolt against the authority of the Mormon boss. There are other serious troubles in the party ranks in the State, and Smoot found it absolutely necessary to do something to prevent so much factional fighting.

So, it is authoritatively stated, he went to the President and told him that unless the investigation into Mormonism were postponed until after the election, Utah, Idaho and possibly Wyoming would be lost to the Republicans. He assured Mr. Roosevelt that these States would surely cast their electoral votes for the Republican ticket. Mr. Roosevelt was more than willing to do all he could, and the committee, and the Republican members thereof, that there would be no further probing into the affairs, not to say crimes, of the Mormon Church, until after the people had decided the question of the presidency.

## DECLINED TO PAY FOR CAR TICKETS

Auditor Alleges That Company Owes the City Some Taxes.

It is quite likely that when the September batch of street-car tickets are purchased for the members of the City Council, they will be paid for in cash, rather than obtained upon the credit of the city. It being understood that Auditor Warren has declined to settle for those recently purchased, on the ground that the Passenger and Power Company is indebted to the city for taxes. It is learned that when the bill was presented, Mr. Warren, instead of issuing a warrant upon the treasurer, in favor of the company for the amount, informed the representative of the latter that the amount would be set up against the tax claim of the city. The amount is \$280, assuming that the company charges the city full price for the tickets. There are fifty-six members in the two branches and they get one hundred tickets each, per month, under the Elliott ordinance recently adopted. It is not known whether any litigation will grow out of this recent development, but it is pretty certain that the next tickets purchased will be settled for in the "coin of the realm."

## MCCARTHY NOW MAYOR

His Term Commenced With the Tolling of Midnight Bells.

Will Take Charge To-day Though Committees May Not be Ready.

With the tolling of the midnight bells last night Captain Carlton McCarthy became Mayor of the city of Richmond, and Hon. R. M. Taylor, who has been chief executive for the past ten years, at the same hour became a private citizen.

Had any emergency arisen after midnight, calling for executive action, Captain McCarthy and not Captain Taylor, would have come to the front. The new Mayor has taken the oath of office as required by the Constitution, and will take charge to-day without the semblance of form or ceremony. He expects to come to the City Hall and go to his old office on the third floor as usual, and then about noon will enter the Mayor's office and enter actively upon his duties in that broader and higher field.

Mayor McCarthy expects to make some changes in the arrangement of the furniture in his new office, and will move there, likely, occupy what is now the reception room as his private office.

Here he may gather inspiration from the portraits of his distinguished predecessors which adorn the walls, from the first to the last. The retiring Mayor recently placed his portrait among the group, and when Captain McCarthy's eyes rest upon it he will be vividly reminded of the recent and strenuous past.

It is doubtful if the outgoing and incoming Mayors will meet to-day. The former may come down for a while this morning, but he will hardly remain until the latter arrives. Flowers and friendly hand-grips will greet Mayor McCarthy.

**For Organization.**  
The two branches of the Council will meet for organization this evening. The Common Council will convene at 5 o'clock and the Board at 7:30 P. M.

The officers to be chosen will be as follows: President of the Board, William M. Turpin; Vice-President, Marx Gunst; President of the Council, R. Lee Peters; Vice-President, E. Harvie Spence; Clerk of both branches, Ben T. August; Sergeant-at-Arms, George C. Ruskell.

While it is quite probable, it is not certain, that the standing committees (Continued on Seventh Page.)

## HELD MOB AT BAY WITH DRAWN PISTOL

Sheriff Takes Energetic Measures to Protect a Prisoner.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
BRISTOL, TENN., August 31.—With drawn revolvers, Sheriff Odell, his deputies and citizens prevented a mob from taking Elbert Boyd, a murderer, from the jail at Blountville, this county, at 1:30 o'clock this morning. The men sought to enter the jail by means of a ruse, having pretended to the jailer that they had caught a boy stealing and desired to lock him up.

The jailer, learning their purpose, sounded the alarm, and many persons soon surrounded the jail, including women. Fearing the threats to shoot, the mob withdrew.

The jail is under a strong guard to-night. Boyd, who was sought by the mob, is guilty of the cold-blooded murder of Thomas Galloway, a neighbor.

## MANY ARE KILLED IN BIG WRECK

Nine Meet Death Instantly and Twenty-three Are Injured.

## BOTH ENGINES LOCKED TOGETHER

Crash Due to Neglect of Orders on the Part of the Crew of the Excursion Train, Which Carried One Thousand Persons.

(By Associated Press.)  
MONTREAL, Aug. 31.—Nine people were killed and twenty-three others injured in a head-on collision on the Grand Trunk Railway, near Richmond, Quebec, to-day. The trains involved were a special excursion from Montreal, bound for Sherbrooke, and passenger train No. 5, running between Island Pond, Vermont and Montreal.

The collision, it is claimed, was due to neglect of orders on the part of the train crew of the excursion train, which left Richmond, without waiting the arrival of the passenger train. The excursion train was running as the first section of the regular Grand Trunk Portland express, which usually crosses the Island Pond train at Richmond, and was running on its time. This makes it all the more inexplicable why Conductor Atkinson, in charge of the excursion train, did not wait to make the usual crossing. Atkinson disappeared shortly after the wreck occurred.

The excursion train, made up of ten coaches and a baggage car, carried about 1,000 persons bound for the exhibition at Sherbrooke. The Island Pond train was composed of five coaches and a baggage car, and had only a small number of passengers. The excursion train had barely cleared the Richmond yard when, rounding a curve, it met the Island Pond train running at a high rate of speed. Both engines reversed, and with their firemen jumped, escaping with minor injuries. The shock of the collision was plainly heard in Richmond, more than a mile away.

Both engines were locked firmly together. The baggage car of the excursion train was picked up and dropped on top of the car following it. A smoker, and it was in these two cars that the greater number of fatalities occurred.

## SENSATIONAL TURN IN COAL STRIKE SITUATION

(By Associated Press.)  
KNOXVILLE, TENN., August 31.—A sensational turn in the effort of the operators and miners to agree upon a wage scale developed to-day when all withdrew from the conference and refused to accept the further offer to consider it. A few hours later the operators as a body refused to accede to the proposition presented by the mine workers through National Secretary Wilson. This proposition was that the men would continue the work at a reduction equal one-half of last year's increase. That is, from 12.5 to 12.25 per cent. Such a scale would fix the wages of the men at 51.75 cents per ton, compared with 53.4 the present rate. Coal Creek men announced that they would hereafter operate their mines independent of the organization.

## GEORGIA PLANS TO STAMP OUT TUBERCULOSIS

(By Associated Press.)  
ATLANTA, GA., Aug. 31.—A State Board to investigate the extent of tuberculosis in Georgia and to advise means of stamping out the disease was appointed to-day by Governor Terrell, from the leading medical men and physicians in the State. The appointments are coming to a provision of the recent General Assembly.

## DR. THOMAS HERRAN DIES IN NEW YORK STATE

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, August 31.—Dr. Thomas Herran, who represented Columbia at Washington for several years, up to the time of the Panama incident, died to-day at Liberty, N. Y. He had been ill for some time and went to Liberty in the hope that a sojourn there would aid in the restoration of his health.

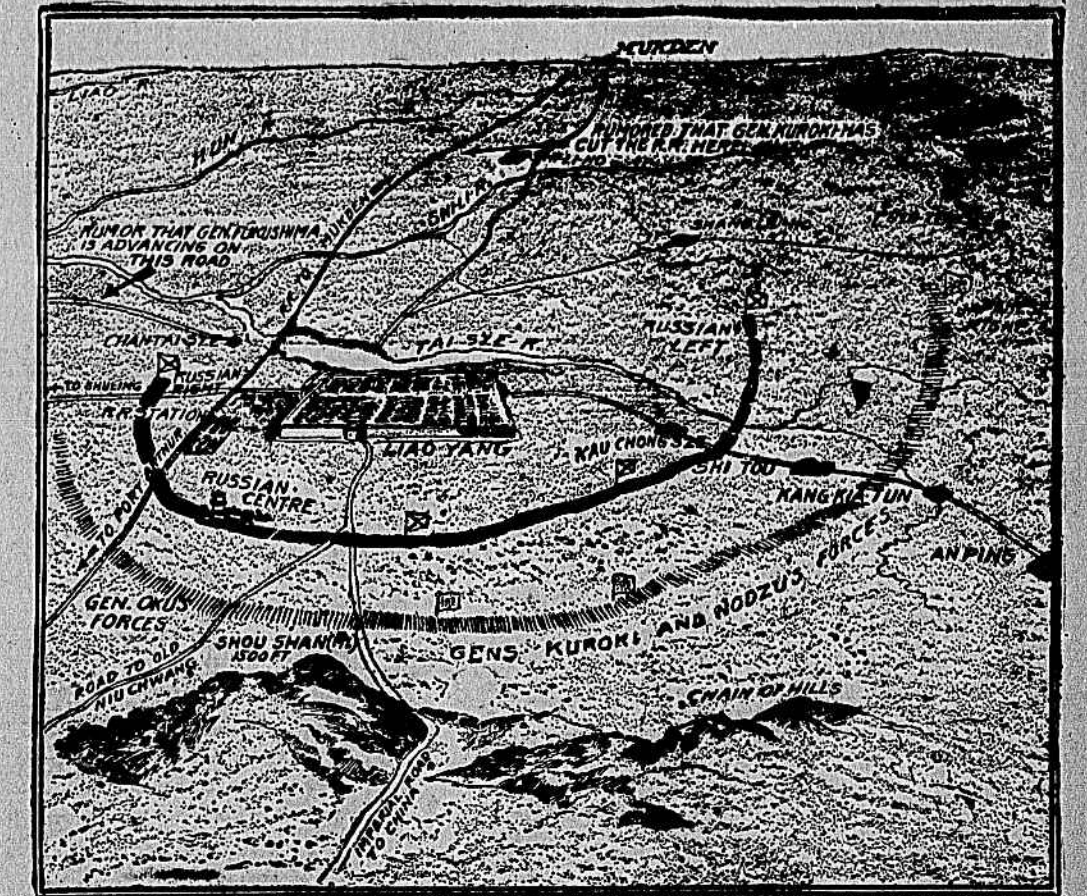
## PRINCESS LOUISE SPIRITED AWAY

Eludes Captors and Is Supposed to Have Fled With Lover.

BERLIN, Aug. 31.—Princess Louise, of Coburg, daughter of the King of the Belgians, whose relations with Koglevich Matkitch, a former lieutenant in the Austrian army, caused a great scandal in European royal circles seven years ago, and who has since been kept under the closest restraint, has vanished from Bad Ems, where she had been taking the cure. It is presumed that the Princess is in the company of Matkitch, and is seeking to gain an asylum, where she will be safe from capture.

The escape of the Princess was accomplished in a mysterious and romantic manner. Ladders and a swift automobile were brought into play to effect her release from the hotel where she has been imprisoned almost as a prisoner, and to convey her to some refuge, the location of which is entirely unknown. Not the slightest trace of the whereabouts of the pair has yet been discovered, and nothing is known beyond the fact that the Princess is known another guest of the hotel, believed to have been Matkitch, has disappeared, and with them the jewels of the Princess and an automobile.

## THOUSANDS SLAIN AND BATTLE STILL RAGING



Battleground at Liao Yang, showing surrounding country and position of the combatants.

## EXPLOSION OF POWDER

One Killed, Three Injured and Much Valuable Property Destroyed.

## THE ENTIRE TOWN TREMBLES

Pressroom of Works Wrecked and Residence Two Thousand Feet Away Ruined.

(By Associated Press.)  
PUNKSUTAWNEY, PA., August 31.—Eight hundred kegs of powder exploded to-day in the pressroom of the Laitin & Hard Powder Works, two miles east of here, instantly killing one man, seriously injuring three others and causing costly destruction of property. The dead: LEONARD BLAIR, 21 years old.

The injured: Leonard Blair, superintendent of the press mill, probably recover. William VanDyke, engineer, will probably recover.

Sheridan Canham, boiler tender, believed to be fatally hurt.

The pressroom, which was about 40 feet square, was totally destroyed. Leonard Blair was in the building at the time of the explosion. When his body was recovered, among the ruins after the accident, it was found that part of his head had been literally blown away. No other part of his body was in the least mutilated. The three other men were in an engine-room 200 feet away from the pressroom. Each was severely cut and bruised by pieces of flying debris, and all were knocked unconscious by the terrific force of the explosion. Other buildings in the factory enclosure were wrecked, and every building within a mile of the powder works was damaged. The residence of Powder Boss Speno, two thousand feet from the plant, was ruined. The cause of the explosion will probably never be known. Blair was the only man in the building at the time. The violent shock of the explosion caused every building in Punksutawney to tremble on its foundations.

## GREATEST STRUGGLE IN HISTORY

Second Day of Fight Began at Dawn and Continued Until Nightfall, With Fearful Carnage on Both Sides.

The news silence regarding the battle of Liao Yang—perhaps to be regarded as the most sanguinary in the history of warfare—which began with dispatches of the Associated Press direct from the battlefield late on Tuesday night was broken by dispatches received yesterday saying that fighting had been resumed at dawn that morning and that the firing extended along the entire line, some seven miles in extent.

A dispatch from Liao Yang received late in the afternoon, told of repeated bayonet advances on the road directly south of Liao Yang, where the Russians shelled the Japanese positions until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, when the engagement, which was general throughout the south and the southeast, narrowed to the main line. The cannonading continued until evening without advantage on either side. The sudden termination of direct dispatches gave rise to the belief that communication had been cut north of Liao Yang, but it is officially stated from St. Petersburg that this inference was incorrect. It is positively stated in St. Petersburg that the Emperor had received yesterday afternoon a dispatch from Liao Yang. The contents of this dispatch, however, were not disclosed. A Liao Yang dispatch filed at 5:21 P. M. yesterday, said that the Japanese were getting around the Russian left flank while a later dispatch stated that the Russians had effected an advance along the railway to the southward from which direction the Russians retreated before the battle of Liao Yang was begun. Reports reaching St. Petersburg are to the effect that the results so far have favored the Russians. The dispatches estimate the Japanese force at about 240,000 men and the Russians at from 170,000 to 200,000 men with from 600 to 1,000 guns engaged on each side. According to official Japanese dispatches, neither contestant has realized any visible results.

## ONE OF THE FIERCEST FIGHTS THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN

(By Associated Press.)  
ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 1.—2 A. M.—With the knowledge that the Russian and Japanese armies about Liao Yang are locked in a death struggle, the tension in St. Petersburg to-night is strained to the utmost. It is believed here that the fight cannot stop short of the crushing defeat of one side or the other. All reports so far are favorable to the Russians, though the suspension of all news for many hours has been exceedingly trying and has given rise to several rumors, somewhat tempering the earlier enthusiasm.

Communication Not Cut.

It is stated officially, however, that the report that the railway and the telegraph have been cut north of Liao Yang is untrue. A member of the general staff said to the Associated Press at midnight: "I can assure you that up to this hour communication with Liao Yang has not been interrupted. General Kuropatkin has taken particular precautions against any attempt to cut the railway. While it is always possible that a small raiding party might slip through the Russian patrols or that hired Chinese bandits might cut the telegraph, it is a fair supposition, in view of all the facts, that this has not been done."

**The Losses Have Been Enormous.**  
The highest military authorities here consider that the most critical stage of the battle has not yet been reached, and they believe that the fight may continue for some time before either side acknowledges defeat. This is an important consideration by the light of which to interpret any immediate news. It is thought that in view of the numbers engaged, the desperateness of the assault and the length of the line, about seven miles, the losses in the two days' fighting cannot fall short of ten thousand on each side. Both sides are straining every nerve, realizing that the fortunes of war for a whole year are in the scale, and neither side is in the mood or the position to spare men in the effort to achieve a final victory.

**One of World's Greatest Battles.**  
The battle of Liao Yang will probably rank as one of the great sanguinary battles of history. It is estimated by the general staff